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54 **Low density foamed thermoplastic elastomers.**

57 A foamed thermoplastic elastomer having a substantially uniform closed cell structure and having a specific gravity of less than about 0.40, an energy return ratio greater than about 0.50 when compressed and released said foam being prepared from a thermoplastic multi-block copolymer elastomer having a Shore D hardness of 25-75.

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